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EDITORIAL

This will be the last issue before our summer break and we wish all our readers a good holiday, at home or away. We also hope that the weather will improve a little, though I don't think the climate in this country is too bad. My daughter in Arizona talks of temperatures of 106 for weeks on end. I know where I'd rather be !

Make a note in your Diaries that July 12th is Deddington's big day. It is the day of our Grand Country Fair, and there should be something of interest there for everyone. 2 p.m. Market Place. See you there, all of you !

There will be no issue in August, so the COPY DATE for September issue is August 26th.

Marianne Elsley

DEDDINGTON POST OFFICE

Readers will have noticed that the entrance to the village Post Office has suddenly transferred itself to the Bullring.

Mr. & Mrs. Smith regret any temporary inconvenience to their customers and inform us that work to the front of the shop should be completed in about three months. At that time the entrance from Market Place will be re-opened and a wider range of goods and services will be available.

DIARY

July 5th	P.T.A. Fete
8th	W.I. Fabric - plus colour
12th	COUNTRY FAIR
12th	8 p.m. Windmill Fund, Race Meeting
31st	Architectural Group Walk-about
August 2nd	Wesleyan Chapel Garden Party -
	Mead Farm, Barford St. Michael at 2 p.m.
6th	Deddington Ladies Garden Party 7 p.m.
26th	COPY DATE
27th	Warriner Barn Dance
Sept. 21st	Windmill Fund - Antiques Fair

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Deddington is having a go at this
Competition

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"COME TO THE FAIR!" on Saturday, 12th July

The Committee, working under the Chairmanship of John Burdon and Bob Stevens, has finalised the programme for the Grand Country Fair and the co-ordination of all the activities of clubs, organisations and others, whose generous contributions are acknowledged, is now in hand to ensure a memorable occasion.

Earlier months' reports have highlighted some features and here are a few others.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ware's 'Ivy House' in the Market Place will feature a display by our Local Craft Group; visitors will be welcomed by some of our village residents wearing 18th Century Costumes designed by Mrs. Ware herself.

Local artists will exhibit their works in the Town Hall where there will also be a display of craft jewellery by Michael and Heather Ackland.

The Fire Brigade hope to bring a vintage fire tender; ponies and horse carriages; a conjuring act and Treasure Hunt for children, as well as all the more usual fun of the fair are just a few of the treats in store.

For the benefit of Mums and Dads with young children there will be a play area, supervised, and containing kiddies' playthings.

A lot of publicity has been generated through newspapers and other media; Radio Oxford had an interview with one of our Committee members on 28th June and the Church Choir has taped a special version of the old song "Come to the Fair" which we hope will be broadcast as part of the campaign to attract visitors.

But the Fair is essentially a village occasion. So don't let all this advance publicity put you off from buying a programme, for there will be a Lucky Number Prize and other competitions eligible to programme holders only.

So it's "Heigh Ho" and "We'll see you There"
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E.J.C.

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING w5th JUNE 1986

Present : Chairman Mr. Hayward, Councillors Marmion, Cole, Garrett, Webber and O'Neill.

Apologies : Mr. Fenemore

Stonepits Land : Regarding the dumping of rubble here, the CDC had been misled as to where the rubble was intended to go. Apparently Mr. Welford will not be using this.

Elections were to take place on 10th July; as there are four applications for four vacancies these people will stand as members of the PC as from 10th July. These new members are: Mrs. Sheila Kedge, Mrs. Swash, Mr. Dennis Allan and Mr. George (who has stood before).

Best Kept Village Competition : A letter was received from Mr. Cresswell suggesting that residents should all make an effort to keep the village tidy. As the date of the competition is not yet known, it was decided that a notice should go in the Deddington News to encourage residents to keep 'their patch' tidy.

Manor Farm House, Deddington : Letter received from CC regarding the listing of the farm house and farm building - no definite answer was given. Resolved to write to them again.

Cemetery : A letter of complaint was received from a resident about the amount of dandelions obscuring the graves. PC agreed this was a very pertinent complaint and would contact gardening services to treat them.

Sewage treatment works : The enquiry made regarding the possible overloading of the sewage works when taking into account recent planning applications, was answered by the CC. This was that the rise in the amount of effluent would be insignificant, as although there would be more houses, families were smaller than in past years.

Planning Appeal : 2 Duns Tew Road - appeal against planning refusal.

Weight Restriction B4031 : a copy of a letter from the County Surveyor to Mr. Berridge was received to the effect that a weight restriction between Aynho and Deddington is looked on favourably for next year. The PC thought that a letter of thanks should be sent to Mr. Berridge for all the work he has done towards this.

Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils : It was decided not to renew the membership.

Bus Services : The revision of local bus services has resulted in no significant change.

Windmill Centre, Proposed Lessees : Group Capt. Heywood, who was nominated by Mrs. Cheeseman, wished to be more informed as to being a Lessee, before consenting to it.

Boundaries : It was decided that the Northern and Western boundaries should be staked out. The Chairman volunteered to do this.

Planning Applications : Flag poles on building site, Hempton Road, these would be advertisement flags on site. Mr. Marmion moved that these would be unsightly and unwanted. This was defeated by Mr. O'Neill's motion that they be accepted, seconded by Mr. Cole (these would be temporary until the site is finished). New application for houses in the Grove - objections were raised on the same grounds as before, with the addition of it not being suitable for pedestrians because of the main road.

Clr. John Cole (38422) is the PC's representative on the local Post & Telecommunications Advisory Committee. The committee meets on July 15 and if you have any problems in this area, please get in touch with him before that date.

THE BATTLE OF THE SOMME 1st JULY 1918

July 1986 marks the 70th Anniversary of the Somme.

The battle lasted four and half months and ended in the rains and mud of mid-November. At it's close, some 1,200,000 men of the British, French and German armies were casualties. Casualties (like the phrase "the Fallen") is one of those euphemistic words used to disguise and soften the impact and horror of war. Most of the dead and wounded came from the British army, which had substantial Empire elements. On the first day alone, the 1st of July, a beautiful day of high summer, some 20,000 were killed and 40,000 wounded from our army. The majority of these happened in the first hour. Whole companies, Battalions and Brigades of the 400,000 strong army were decimated. In the Newfoundland Battalion, for example, 658 were killed or wounded out of a total of 726.

Walk the pleasant, rolling country of fields, copses, villages, streams and woods of this corner of Picardy and you will find 120 cemeteries which, in serried rows of Headstones, bear witness to the carnage. Young and old, heroic and timid, they are all there. It is a most moving experience which brings tears to the eyes. What the graves won't tell you is the mood of euphoric optimism which prevailed on our side before the battle. There was a volunteer army, hastily assembled and ill trained, recruited in a period of patriotic fervour and culled from a generation who believed in God, King and Country and Duty and the rightness and justice of it's cause. My father was one of them. They were to be cruelly disillusioned on that fine, slightly misty, summer morning.

Henry Rawlinson, who commanded the 4th Army, believed that the immense week long artillery bombardment which preceded the attack would cut the German wire and obliterate the defences. He was mistaken and completely misjudged the effect of artillery fire on deep, superbly constructed German defensive positions. The Germans knew, too, of the timing and extent of the attack. Our infantry were told to walk in marshalled waves across No Mans Land and to expect no opposition. As the barrage lifted, our army came out of its trenches and were mown down like corn by German machine guns. Some died as they fell, others lingered for hours in shell holes crowded by wounded and dying. On Thiepval Ridge there is a Lutyens designed war memorial which bears 73,000 names of those whose bodies were never recovered. Times were never the same after the Somme. With failure came bitterness and recrimination and a loss of confidence in those commanders, who, the troops felt, had let them down. It was only the personal loyalty to comrades of platoon and battalion who faced a common hazard, which provided the cement which kept the army together in the difficult years of 1917/18. We won eventually, after the horrific battle in Flanders in 1917 and surviving the German offensive in the Spring of 1918. At what cost to the Nation the individual must judge for himself.

Every day I walk past our War Memorial. On it are 48 names from Adley to Verbury, who were killed in the Great War. This is a high percentage of active men in a Parish of this size. Some of them must have been killed on the Somme. Remember them, but also remember the collective folly of a world which sent them to their death.

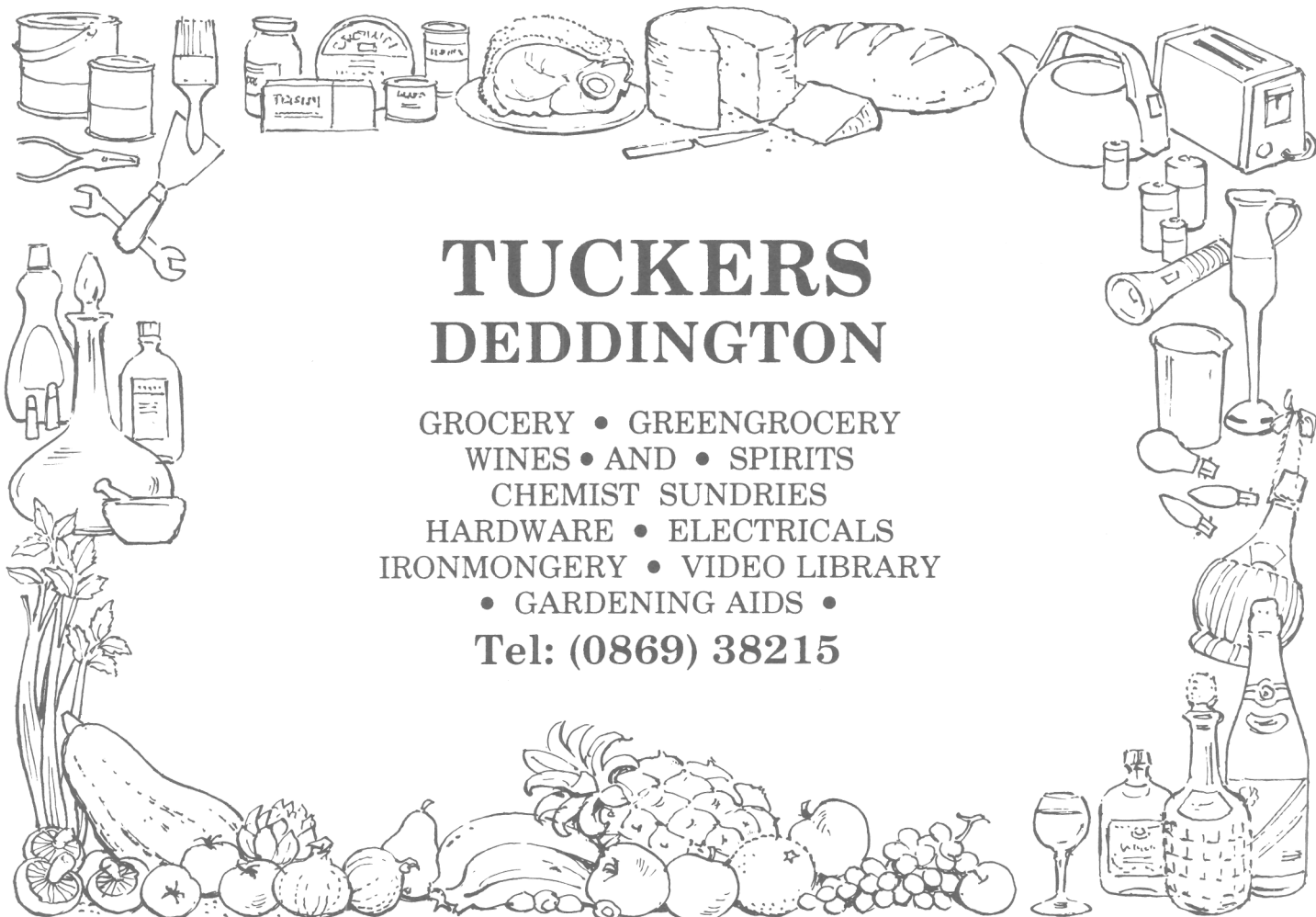
Bill Drake. June 1986

Community Education

The following classes have been arranged at the Windmill Centre :

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Monday	7.00 - 9.00	Art		

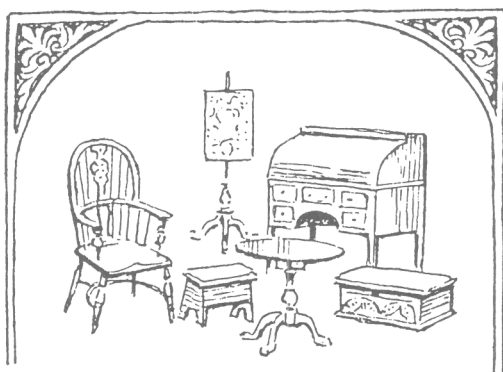
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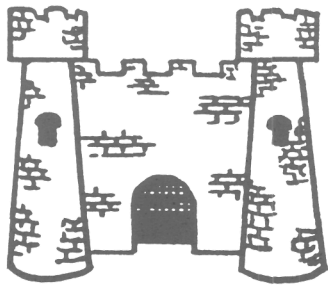
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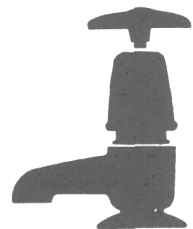
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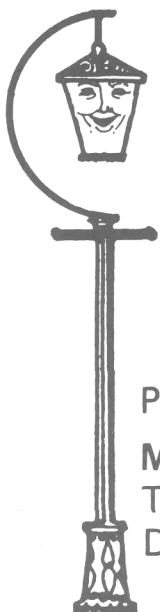
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CHURCH NEWS

Services in Deddington Church

July 6	10.30	Parish Communion
13	8.00 and 10.30	Morning Service
20	10.30	Parish Communion
27	8.00 and 10.30	Morning service

HOLY BAPTISM

June 1 Karl Peter, son of Peter and Valerie Howlett
Lyndsay Marie, daughter of David and Linda Bosher
7 Anne Daphne Myrtle, daughter of Robert and Lesley Lambert

FUNERAL

June 11 Basil Arthur James West, High Street, aged 70. Basil West was altogether an Oxfordshire man. He came from Boar's Hill, on the outskirts of Oxford, moved on marriage to Headington, now part of Oxford, and then came here many years ago to the Manor. His occupation was a gardener. Our sympathy goes to his wife and son Raymond.

DEANERY FESTIVAL We have parish parties of one sort and another every year. This year we shall also have a Deanery Festival (i.e. "party") when we can see and even meet people from other parishes around Banbury. It will be at Wroxton Abbey, in its most beautiful grounds, on August 31st from 3.00 p.m. Picnic teas (bring your own) and Evensong at 6 p.m. in the open air (we hope).

The P.C.C. meets at the school on 24th July at 8.00 p.m.

Richard Hannah

MOTHERS UNION

There will be no meetings of the Branch in August or September. The Branch will be serving Country Teas in the churchyard at the Country Fair on Saturday 12th July.

On 31st July and 1st August we shall be on duty in Christ Church Cathedral in its Ministry of Welcome.

Last month the Deanery Festival was held in Deddington church. We were honoured to have the Christ Church cathedral choir to sing on this occasion. The boys' voices rose to the heights of our mediaeval church in the singing of the Palestrina setting of the Communion service. After the service Mrs. Jean Welford was presented with two silver plated goblets to mark her time as the Deanery Presiding Member, from which she retired that day. Mrs. Anne Thorne of Bodicote was commissioned to take her place.

Pat Hannah

CHURCH CHOIR

R.S.C.M. Annual Choirs Festival

Once again we took part in this event, held in Dorchester Abbey. A choir of 400 sang a service which included the evening canticles to a setting by Sydney Watson and the anthems "Behold, the Tabernacle of God" (W.Harris) and "O Clap your Hands" (R.Vaughan-Williams)

Choir Visit to Wales 16-23 August Preparations for our singing holiday are well under way. We shall be spending some time with our friends at Llanrhian, singing a Eucharist service on Sunday and "Saints Alive" on Monday, as part of their Flower Festival celebrations. Wednesday will be very special - we shall be singing Evensong at St.David's Cathedral, followed by our second visit to Felindre, where we have been asked to sing "Saints Alive".

Christ Church, Oxford We very much enjoyed the excellent singing of the choir of Christ Church at the M.U. Festival service in Deddington recently. On our return from Wales we shall be singing Evensong at Christ Church (Wednesday, 27th August).

Jane Davies

DEDDINGTON GUIDES

We had a 3 mile hike on a beautiful Tuesday evening after half term. We began at Clifton, walking to the canal, back along footpaths and bridleways coming out on the Aynho road. The evening was made complete by crossing a ford - a chance to leap about in the river makes any event a success !

Our thanks to Mr. Bond who walked with us and to Mr. Amond who helped ferry people to and fro.

Congratulations to Marianne Dawson on gaining Emergency helper and map reader badges; Pippa Morris - cyclist and map reader, and to Gail Nicholls and Jackie Abel - mapreaders. Well done too to Emma Holmes for gaining her red trefoil badge. She now joins Marianne in working for her B.P. trefoil.

We welcomed Julie Gibbs and Vickie Weatherhead to the unit at their recent enrolment ceremony.

Last week's "stretcher" races - constructed by guides from string and staves caused quite a bit of entertainment at the Windmill Centre. The knotting was with the guidance of Mrs. Gorton, a very experienced camping adviser from Adderbury. She spent the evening instructing the guides on lashing and knots and helped the guides repair the camp gadgets. Our thanks to her - it was a hectic session !

By the time this appears we will have spent an evening (dry, we hope) at Jubilee House, the County guide camping centre, at an open-to-all event. It will be great to go out with other guides from our district.

Before the end of term we hope to fit in a test for home nurse badge, some more cooking and a crazy sports event with the scouts.

We hope to camp at Horley for 5 days at the end of July.

Dates for next term :

Tuesday 2nd September 7 - 8.30 P.L.'s training: H.Q.
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Tuesday 9th September 7 - 9 p.m. Normal meeting

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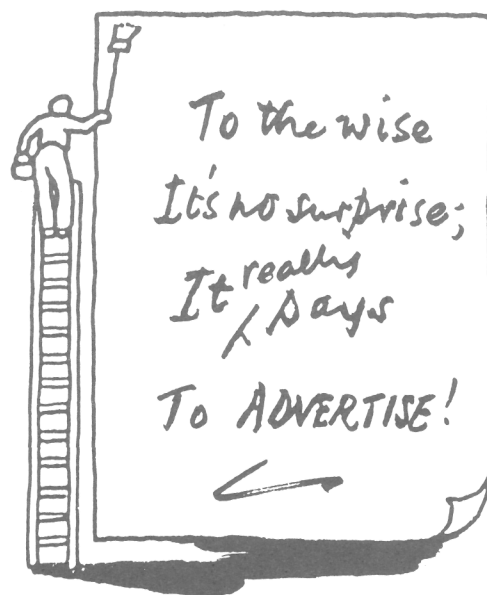
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During the last few weeks we have taken part in two of the Major events open to Cub Scouts during the 70th Anniversary year. The first was a day's trip to Yoxbury Scout Camp on the outskirts of Oxford to take part in 'Deluge 66'. After paying our entrance fee and collecting the badges the boys went straight to the 10 metre tower to have a go at abseiling. Three members of our party braved the climb and eventually launched themselves off the top with a lot of help from the instructors. Throughout the day the boys tried archery, plaster-cast modelling, the assault course, rope bridge, blindfold string-trail, wire model enamelling and even braved a dip in the swimming pool. Before leaving they had a go at cooking, making pancakes, sweets, doughnuts and cooking a sausage over an open fire.

Our second event was the District Cub Camp at Horley. We camped from the Friday evening until Sunday afternoon. On Saturday the Camp was officially opened by our District Commissioner and District Cub Scout Leader. Following the opening, the boys took part in Scouting activities to gain points for the camp trophy. During the day we had a visit from the Banbury Guardian and also the Mayor and family. After our evening meal the boys took part in a wide game organised by the Venture Scouts and then we all joined in at the camp fire and sang songs. Sunday started with a 'Scouts Own' led by our retired District Commissioner. This was followed by 'It's a Knockout' type games and we were pleased to welcome our new recruits for the day's activities. After our meal at Midday, we all took part in the fancy dress parade around the field. We had the honour of leading and our flag-bearer, Andrew Stiff, did an excellent job. A big thank you to all parents for their help with fancy dress costumes and clearing camp afterwards. I would also like to thank my wife for her work in the kitchen on a very hot weekend; also to Paul Wilkins, Paul Hope and the two scouts, Mark Stuart and Michael Scott who were taking their camp's cook badge.

The following badges have been gained this month: Bronze Arrow - Thomas Dew, Oliver Gardner, Ian Hope and William Varney; Swimmers - Andrew Stiff; Leaf Star - Christopher Rose and Bryan Selwood; Home help - Ashworth Allen; Photographer - Ian Hope; Camper's - Gavin Townsend, Simon Oddy and William Varney; Link Badge - Andrew Oddy.

On July 19th we hope to take part in the County Rally at Abingdon and meet the Chief Scout. Any cub interested in going should let me know as soon as possible.

Finally, we have said our goodbyes to Andrew Oddy who has now moved on to Scouts, we wish him well for the future. We have also welcomed two new boys to the pack, Christopher Hayward and Michael Stuart. We hope they will enjoy their time in Scouting. We have a few vacancies in the pack so if any boy over 8 would like to join he should come along on a Thursday evening at 6.00 p.m. and find out what it is all about.

R.J. Scott. C.S.L.

A very big Thank you to the Cub's Mums for the lovely gesture of flowers and chocolates. It is heartening to feel appreciated and to know we have such supportive parents ready to lend a hand when needed.

Thank you once again

from Akela's cook.

W. I.

The main subject of the June meeting was a report of the AGM in the Albert Hall earlier in the month. Our President, Mrs. Herring, had been able to attend this and told us about it. We were pleased to learn that an Urgent Resolution on Nuclear Energy had been accepted for discussion at the last moment. We had felt earlier in the month that this subject had more relevance and concerned members more than the resolutions which had been in the pipe-line for many months. In the event, the meeting at the Albert Hall passed the resolution "that no more nuclear programmes should be undertaken until the public was reassured and more definite guide lines were available". There was a clear majority for this. We are glad that we, as a pressure group of considerable size, are able to put our weight behind an issue of such concern. Other resolutions including one on Aids and one on Child Abuse were passed after a difficult discussion. Our speaker for the evening was a Beautician, who gave a demonstration on modern make-up and colour coding. It seems that the latest fad in cosmetics is to code everyone and divide them into four classes. One is either Spring, Summer, Autumn or Winter, according to the tone of the skin. This is established by holding cloths of different shades against the face and noting the effect. Then, according to which season is yours, you choose your make-up and the colour of the clothes you buy.

The whole thing seemed fraught with difficulties to me. Unless one can make one's own clothes, when there is a choice of materials, it's a matter of luck exactly which shade of say, pink, is available in any given size. However, our brave model certainly looked good after treatment, and we will all try harder.

Our next meeting will be on July 8th, The subject will be Fabric - Plus Colour. We now have some room for new members, so come along if you are interested - 7.30 p.m. at the Holly Tree Club.

Marianne Elsley

Architectural Study Group

This group met for the first time at Goose Cottage, Mrs. Barbara Ritchie's home, on Friday 20th June. Some eight people turned up, which makes a good nucleus for such a group. The aim is for further interest in the houses and history of our village, and to that end various things were planned. We hope to have a talk by an Architect who knows this area well, and another by someone who has some knowledge of Deddington. For a start, a walk-about was suggested, so that the outside of interesting houses can be looked at. The group plans to meet every other month, but the evening walk is planned for July 31st at 7.30 p.m. We shall meet in the Market Square.

If any of you would like to join, or have any special knowledge that would help, please just turn up, or call Barbara Ritchie on 38238.

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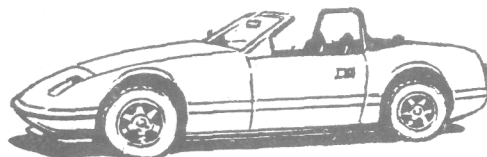
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Visit to Germany At 4.30 a.m. on Thursday, 12th June, Cliff & Pam Harper, my wife and myself, together with a coach load of fire service personnel and their wives, set off for a long weekend as guests of the firemen at Hennef, near Bonn.

After a very enjoyable journey through France and Belgium, during which the sun shone all the time, we arrived in Hennef at 7.15 pm. When suitably refreshed we were introduced to the families we were to be staying with, who after more liquid refreshments, took us home. On the next day (Friday) we were taken on a coach trip around Bonn and the surrounding district which was very beautiful. The most notable thing was the cleanliness everywhere, no litter in the streets, no dogs fouling the footpaths, and no graffiti.

On the Saturday our hosts were free to take us where ever they wished. Our hosts took my wife and myself to Cologne where we spent a very enjoyable day, including ^{climbing} the 495 steps to the top of the Cathedral.

In the evening we were given a dinner at Hennef Fire Station where the food and drink abounded until very late.

Sunday was the Fire Station Open Day which commenced with a Church Parade at 8.30 a.m. Needless to say there were a fair few bleary eyes and thick heads amongst us. After Church we returned to the fire station where once again the food and drink was in abundance. Unfortunately we had to leave at 12.15 in order to catch the ferry from Dunkirk at 7 p.m. and so, after saying our reluctant farewells, we departed with our memories of a wonderful weekend and some of the nicest, most hospitable people, we have ever had the pleasure of meeting.

Albert Humphries

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The Save-the-Children Fund depends for most of its income on money given during the Collection Week. The generous contributions that have been made, and the important work of those who collect donations, are very much appreciated. On behalf of the Save-the-Children Fund, thank you all very much indeed.

Rhoda Callow

FAT MEAT THE HEALTHIER WAY

"LIVE AID" saves thousands from famine." "Government to give more help to starving." "Sport Aid - Race Against Time". "Bob Geldorf Knighted for Aid to Africa." So run the headlines as we respond to the problems of starvation in Africa and elsewhere. It is a sobering paradox that doctors in the developed countries of the West are fighting death and disease caused by our consuming too much food and drink of the wrong kinds. Health authorities are encouraging people to take more exercise, to stop smoking and to eat more wisely. And at last there is a greater public awareness of the problems of the wrong sort of diet. Health eating means more fibre, less salt, sugar and fat - particularly saturated fat. Our Deddington butcher, Andy Clarke, is this year's President of the Oxfordshire and District Master Butchers' Association. He is one of many butchers involved in encouraging us to CUT DOWN on FAT by choosing 'lean red meat' and 'super lean trimmed cuts'. The campaign is sponsored by the Meat Livestock Commission and has the seal of recommendation of the Oxfordshire Health Authority.

Their brochure states: Meat is an important food ... the snag is the saturated fat that comes with it. But you can still enjoy the goodness of meat without too much fat. Lean meat is low in calories and can form part of a calorie controlled diet. A few more extracts may be worth quoting to help us all towards healthier eating :

Roast joints on a rack.

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Avoid adding fat in cooking. It is not essential to brown meat before cooking a stew or casserole.

Grill instead of fry.

Add beans or lentils to casseroles to increase the fibre content.

As Marie Lloyd said, "A little of what you fancy does you good" but it is good that our shopkeepers - this is but one example - are playing a part in informing us of the dangers of the wrong types of food.

It seems that the old nursery rhyme we learned at our mother's knee gave the right advice: "Jack Spratt could eat no fat !"

E.J.L.

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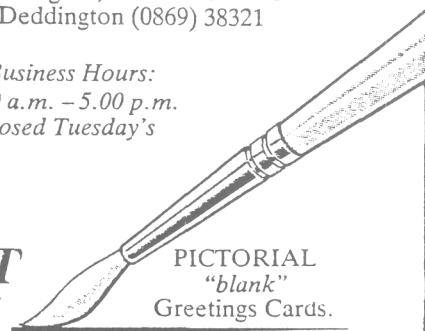
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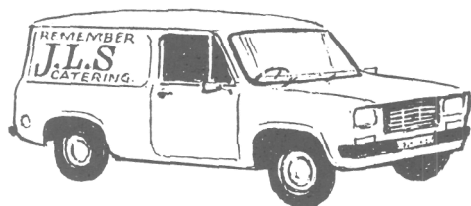


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The members and friends of the club enjoyed a pleasant trip to Bedford on May 21st, in spite of a mix-up over the coach before we started. However, once on our way, the rain stopped and it turned out a glorious, though windy afternoon and evening. We enjoyed ourselves very much. On Saturday May 31st, we held our annual Garden Party, but sadly (and very unusual for us) the weather was not kind and drove us indoors. In spite of that we had quite a good attendance and raised a fair amount towards our funds. Our grateful thanks to all who did patronise us and spent freely and for the help given by our friends towards this event. The basket of fruit (kindly donated by our very good friend Mr. Andy Clarke) was won by Mr. George Busby and the chocolates by Mrs. A. Hartwell. Mr. Albert Fox livened up the proceedings by relaying his music around the grounds, and we thank him most sincerely for this. We would also like to thank the Deddington Ladies for the donation to us to help with the decoration of the Clubroom and new curtains, the gesture was much appreciated. An outing to Chesham via Bicester Princes Risborough, High Wycombe and Amersham was much enjoyed on Wednesday 18th June. We returned via Aylesbury where a welcome cup of tea was appreciated, and we had almost two hours there for the more agile members of our party, to go on a mini shopping spree. The scenery on the drive was simply wonderful. The lovely green of the Chestnuts was a delight to see, after the months of cold and rain. It was a day to treasure in the memory. The helpful bus driver made a quick stop at Souldern where we were all welcomed by the hosts of the little inn and had a "quick one" so finishing off a very happy afternoon. Our thanks to Mr. Lines for working out the route, which we last did four years ago. I would just like to remind those of you who are interested in the trip to Bournemouth on August 23rd, that the coach will leave the Town Hall at 8.30 am. If you want to come, please get in touch with Mr. Lines on 38633 soon, seats are much in demand. There will also be a trip to Reading on September 10th, this will be via the beauty spots along the Thames Valley. Coach leaves Town Hall at 1.00 pm.

P. Busby.

DEDDINGTON LADIES

Please everyone note this very important date :

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 6TH AT 7.00 P.M.

we are having our Annual Summer Garden Pete at the Holly Tree Club garden, weather permitting. If the dreaded rains come down then of course it will have to be inside, but nothing as awful as that will happen. We will be having all our usual stalls and games plus the now very popular barbecue. Watch for posters giving more details. Please come and support us, all proceeds will as usual be for the Senior Citizens Christmas Party.

Jackie Adkins.

The Warriner School, Bloxham.

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You may ask what has this to do with advertising ? local events ?
Keats is worth an airing; weather favourable or not, the local
conspiracy of fund raising aims to bring you all out for an
airing on 12th July. If you are setting aside time to enjoy
Deddington Fair, add an hour to include the Summer Fete at the
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shooting; test a trampoline; browse at the book-stall; see a
saddle maker at work; take tea or barbeque snacks, plus all the
stalls you expect of a fete. Funds we hope to harvest from a
sociable afternoon are "to load and bless" the New Sports Hall
with equipment and to maintain the school Minibus. Sport in the
dry will be on the curriculum next term. ++

Getting down to the hard tack, biscuits or cakes, bric a brac
or books, Moya Hassan or I will be glad to collect goods or
gifts for the raffle, likewise Sue Stiff in Clifton, Lindsay
Ladbroke in Barford, as the Warriner will be closed for those
last minute things on the 10th and 11th July due to staff involve-
ment in the new GCSE programme for next term.

++ Future Sporting Event -- A Barn Dance on 27th September 1986

Footnote - not a tape, not a track, but live - The Barrow Poets
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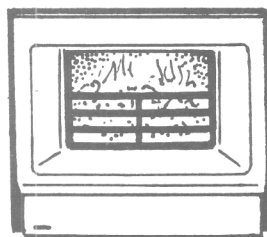
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P.T.A. FETE As it will be a long time before the next issue, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and teachers and children who have put so much work into the preparation for the Fete. At the time of writing we are approaching the hectic period - the final run up to the day itself.

If you read this before 5th July, don't forget to come along from 12.00 noon onwards, see Bernie Clifton open the fete, have a barbecue hot dog/hamburger, (you could bring a picnic lunch if you'd like to) and spend lots of cash! and have a lovely time more details in the PTA announcements. If you read this after 5th July I hope you enjoyed the day!

"LEAVERS"

At the end of this term, three teachers will be leaving us, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Templeman and Mrs. Davies. As I said in the last Deddington News, Mrs. Wright has been here at the Primary School, for the last twenty two years. We are in the process of making a collection on behalf of all three teachers, so that we can make a presentation at a special get-together on July 15th. Parents and pupils, past and present, are warmly invited to come along on that evening from 7.00 p.m. onwards. The children of classes 4 and 5 will be singing some songs that have been specially requested by Mrs. Wright, and there will be a buffet laid on in the middle classroom. Hope to see you there at some time during that evening.

END OF TERM EVENTS

There are quite a few events in the last fortnight of term. The fourth year children are visiting the Warriner School on 8th July and then taking part in the inter-schools Swimming Gala and Sports Day on July 10th and 11th.

We are having our own Sports Day on Wednesday, 9th July, from 1.00 p.m. onwards, up in the top field. Please come and join us; if the weather is against us, we will have to move the event on to the following Monday (14th July).

The leavers' service is in the Church at 1.45 p.m. on Thursday 17th July - again, come and join us if you can.

There is an end of term Disco for our children that evening (17th July) from 7.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. and we will have an extra item - some children from the Warriner who have formed their own band are coming to entertain us.

We finish the term on Friday, July 18th, at 2.30 p.m.

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JUNIOR DEDDINGTON

We have rather a mixture this month. Taking advantage of one of the rare warm, sunny days we have enjoyed this month, some of the children went for a walk along the gated road towards Milton. Claire Morley and Sharon Smith will tell you what they saw and found. "We walked along the gated road which led from Deddington Hill to Milton. It had a peaceful air and we could see fields of oil-seed rape SWAYING slightly in the distance. An old farm house was the only building in sight and apart from ourselves - only one other pedestrian was to be seen. I was a little surprised at the great variety of wild flowers - - - and as we stood on the bridge, dragon flies skimmed past and beetles scampered in the grass." " - - - I ^{SAW} saw billions of dead nettles as well as Clover, Buttercup, Herb Robert, Silverweed, Speedwell, Ground Ivy and Vetch. We walked down to the brook and saw the water rippling in the breeze - it was most relaxing." The walk back up the hill was quite the opposite!

Christopher Brock has been thinking about summer insects which follows on nicely from thoughts of early summer flowers -

"The orange and black creatures
Always so busy,
Pollinating flowers and making honey.
The Queen will die and be replaced.
An intruder, a beetle, walks in,
They dare not sting him,
For he is armoured with hard skin.

Swiftly through the air, it moves
At great speed - it comes into contact with a cobweb,
The silk platform shudders as the spider comes out,
The Bluebottle stands no chance
In ten minutes it becomes lifeless."

Here, the spider was the hunter and the bluebottle the victim.
Hannah Thompson has been inspired by another well known 'hunter'
- the Peregrine Falcon.

"Swooping and hovering across the moor,
Eyes surveying the moorland paths,
Then without a sound - he swoops
Stretching his talons, falling through flight.

Scampering, scurrying, running in fright
Hiding under a patch of heather,
Then, a shadow falls,
Talons form a cage over his helpless body.
The mouse squeals,
The falcon squeezes him tight:
The mouse is dead,
The falcon has his dinner.

Sonia Templeman.

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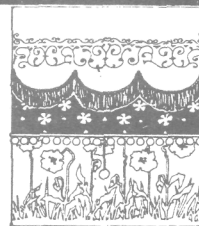
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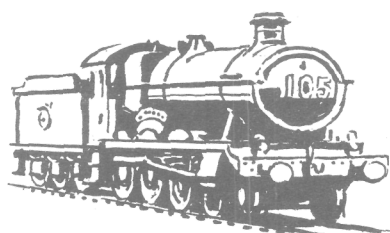
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DEDDINGTON PLAYGROU

We would like to thank all the villagers who supported and all the mums who supplied our Cake Stall on Saturday 14th June - we raised £69. The following Saturday 21st June saw us dashing around a 'Mini Assault Course' in the Playgroup Garden. All the children who took part seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly, and we would like to thank the Primary School for the loan of equipment, Benfields Garage for the loan of car tyres and all parents, relatives and friends who sponsored the playgroup children. I'm afraid as yet we don't know exactly how much was raised but we hope around £75. On the evening of Monday 23rd June, a meeting was held at Playgroup to discuss the possibility of setting up a 'Rising 5 group' and we would like to thank everyone who attended. However, no definite decision was arrived at and we will have to decide what path to follow at the next committee meeting, bearing in mind what type of group the majority of parents have indicated they would favour for their own children. On Wednesday 25th June Playgroup has its annual outing - this year to Blenheim Palace and I'm sure a good time will be had by all, especially if it doesn't rain! Mrs. Goss will also be arranging a Sports Day for the children nearer to the end of this term. We close for the Summer Holidays on Friday 18th July, and re-open on Tuesday 2nd September (the same day as the school resumes). Please note, that we will be re-opening on the Tuesday, even though from September 1986 we are in fact returning to Monday-Thursday opening. The A.G.M. will be held shortly after we re-open in September and we would ask all our parents - please, please do try to come along, so that you can have a say in how Playgroup is run and who makes up the Committee. You don't have to be a mum with children at Playgroup to be interested, and if there is anyone who would like to join our voluntary group of mother-helpers, please do not hesitate to contact us as soon as possible. We are always grateful for more help. We hope everyone has a very happy (and sunny) summer holiday !!

Christine Gower
Playgroup Secretary.

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The Midsummer Ball lived up to all its promise and provided a spectacular occasion with a full turn-out.

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The whole event and it's smooth running was due to the combined efforts of many people, be they committee members, friends, or willing helpers, so a huge round of applause for everyone concerned and many thanks, especially to Mike Reid for providing the venue.

We are pleased to announce that John Cresswell's coaching classes are due to be resumed after an unfortunate incident where John sustained an eye injury. Take it easy, John, don't let all that Wimbledon on TV give you eye strain!

Jenny Soddy

BOWLS CLUB

On May 31st we were very pleased to have three new members in our team, welcome to Ann and Ken Bowen and to our local PC David Keats. Welcome also to Michael Walker playing only his second game. It is nice to see newer and younger members.

We managed to win against Bloxham by eight shots in spite of this very inexperienced team and had a pleasant surprise when Bob arrived to spend a short time with us to watch the game. Nice to see you Bob!

We entertained Chipping Norton on June 5th, a very cold and cloudy evening, and once again we came out victors on all three rinks and afterwards spent an enjoyable hour together at the Russell Hotel.

On June 17th we entertained Banbury Borough and though several of our players were on the sick list, we did very well against such experienced players, their side included some County players. We did lose on all rinks but had a very enjoyable evening amongst old friends. This is the first match we have lost this season so far. Well done, Deddington.

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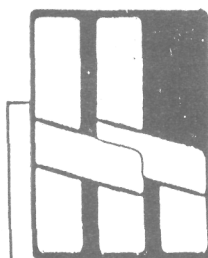
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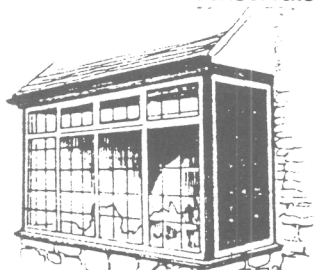
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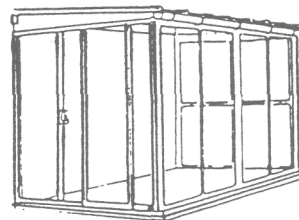
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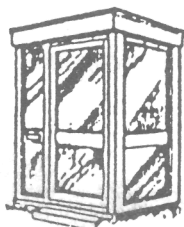
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